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LETTER
FROM THE
SECRETARY,

INCLOSING
SUNDRY STATEMENTS

Prepared under the Direction
OF THE
COMPTROLLER OF THE TREASURY,

In pursuance of the seventh Section of the Act,

ENTITLED,

“ An Act establishing a Mint, and regulating the Coins of the
United States.”

January 31st, 1799.

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TREASURY DEPARTMENT,

Comptroller's Office,

January 30th, 1799.

SIR,

IN obedience to the seventh section of an act passed the 2d of April, 1792, entitled, "An act establishing a Mint and regulating the coins of the United States," I have caused to be prepared certain statements, marked A, B, C, D, and E, which are herewith laid before you, for the purpose of being transmitted to the Legislature. In future, similar statements will be prepared, annually, as the law directs, and the manner of keeping and rendering the accompts of the Mint, will be so modified as to shew, at proper periods, the exact loss or gain upon the coinage of copper.

I have the honour to be,

SIR,

With perfect respect,

Your most obedient servant,

JOHN STEELE.

The Honorable

OLIVER WOLCOTT, Esquire.

(A.)

A STATEMENT of APPROPRIATIONS, made by Law, for the MINT ESTABLISHMENT, from its Institution to the 31st December, 1797, with the Amount of Warrants drawn by the Secretary of the Treasury, in Favor of the Mint.

	SALARIES.	MINT ESTABLISHMENT.	TOTAL.	DATE OF ACT.		SALARIES.	MINT ESTABLISHMENT.	TOTAL.
Amount of warrants drawn on the Treasurer in favor of the Mint in - - - 1792			7,000	April 2d, 1792,	An act establishing a mint, and regulating the coins of the United States, - - -		7,000	7,000
Ditto, - - - - - 1793			18,648	28 March 2d, 1793,	An act making certain appropriations therein mentioned, - - - - -	11,594 88	14,679 78	26,274 66
Amount carried to the credit of surplus fund as per public accounts, No. 4. - - -			4,699 50					
Amount which remained for the payment of salaries of the officers, - - - -			2,850 50					
Amount to the credit of new account of appropriations, as per public accounts for 1794,			76 38					
<i>Dols.</i>			33,274 66	March 14th, 1794,	Balance carried to the Mint Establishment, unexpended on 31st December, 1793, as appears by the public accounts for 1794, - - -			76 38
				January 2d, 1795,	An act making appropriations for the support of government, for the year 1794, - - - - -			30,785
Amount of warrants drawn on the Treasurer in favor of the mint in 1794,			23,799	22 February 5th, 1796,	An act making provision for the support of government, for the year 1795,			15,200
Ditto, - - - - ditto in - - - - 1795,			13,000		An act making appropriations for the support of government, for the year 1796, - - - - -			51,264
Ditto, - - - - ditto in - - - - 1796,			50,150	90 May 27th, —	An act respecting the mint, - - - - -			10,072 40
Ditto, - - - - ditto in - - - - 1797,			14,000	March 3d, 1797,	An act making appropriations for the support of government, for the year 1797, - - - - -			17,220 72
Balance remaining of the appropriations by law, applicable to the Mint Establishment, on 1st January, 1798, - - - -			33,778 72	May 27th, 1796,	An act respecting the mint, - - - - -			10,110 34
<i>Dols.</i>			134,728 84					
					Balance unexpended of the several appropriations, by law, for the Mint Establishment, 1st January, 1798, as per public accounts, - - -			33,778 72

TREASURY DEPARTMENT,
Register's Office, December 24th, 1798.

JOSEPH NOURSE, Register.

A STATEMENT of APPROPRIATIONS, made by Law, for the Payment of the *Salaries* of the Officers of the Mint.

Page of pub. Accts.		DOLS. CTS.	DATE OF ACT.		DOLS. CTS.
33	Amount of warrants, drawn on the Treasurer of the United States, for salaries of the officers, in - - - - - 1794,	8,947 11		Amount brought from the statement, No. 1, being so much which remained applicable to the payment of salaries of the officers, on 31st December, 1793, - - - - -	
34	Ditto, - - - - - for the year 1795,	11,267 93			2,850 50
38	Ditto, - - - - - for the year 1796,	6,825	March 14th, 1794,	An act making appropriations for the support of government, for the year 1794, - - - - -	8,900
	Ditto, - - - - - do. do. 2,495 10				9,600
	Ditto, - - - - - do. 1797,	10,314 13	January 2d, 1795,	An act making provision for ditto, 1795, - - - - -	10,400
	Amount carried to the surplus fund remaining at the end of 1796,	578 39	February 5th, 1796,	An act making appropriations for ditto, 1796, - - - - -	200
	Ditto, - - - - - at the end of 1797,	557 7	June 1st, 1796,	An act making further appropriations, for the year 1796, - - - - -	
	Balance remaining of the appropriations, by law, for the payment of the officers of the Mint, on 1st January, 1798, - - - - -	1,565 77	March 3d, 1797,	An act making appropriations for the support of government, for the year 1797, - - - - -	10,600
	<i>Dols.</i>	42,550 50			<i>Dols.</i> 42,550 50
				Balance unexpended of the several appropriations, by law, for the payment of the officers, 1st January, 1798, - - - - -	1,565 77

TREASURY DEPARTMENT,
Register's Office, December 24th, 1798.

JOSEPH NOURSE, *Register.*

(B.)

A STATEMENT of the APPLICATION of MONIES advanced from
MINT ESTABLISHMENT, from the Infti-

The Monies, paid by the Treasurer of the Mint, upon Warrants drawn on him by the Director, and admitted at the Treasury of the United States, on the Adjustment of his Quarter-Yearly Accounts, were as follow :

INCIDENTAL AND CONTINGENT EXPENSES
AND REPAIRS OF THE MINT.

For seventy-three thousand seven hundred and seventy-three dollars and ninety-six cents, being the amount expended for the requisite buildings and repairs, and procuring apparatus, making machines, wages of the workmen, and other expenses, including three lots of ground with buildings thereon, purchased for carrying on the operations of the mint, viz.

	DOLS.	CTS.	DOLS.	CTS.	DOLS.	CTS.
Two lots with a house thereon, cost, - - - - -	4,266	66				
Paid from 19th July, 1792, to 31st March, 1793, - - - - -	9,736	74				
from 1st April, 1793, to 30th June following, - - - - -	2,122	7				
from 1st July, 1793, to 30th September, - - - - -	1,172	94				
from 1st Octo. — to 31st December, - - - - -	1,536	15				
					18,834	56
from 1st January, 1794, to 31st March following, - - - - -	2,658	71				
from 1st April, — to 30th June — - - - -	1,828	80				
from 1st July, — to 30th Sept. — - - - -	3,665	4				
from 1st Oct. — to 31st Dec. — including 1,200 dol- lars, paid for a large lot of ground, - - - - -	4,244	51				
					12,397	6
from 1st January, 1795, to 31st March following, - - - - -	7,147	20				
from 1st April, — to 30th June — - - - -	5,371	91				
from 1st July, — to 30th Sept. — - - - -	5,180	50				
from 1st Oct. — to 31st Dec. — - - - -	6,979	85				
					24,679	46
Carried forward,					55,911	8

the TREASURY of the UNITED STATES, for the Support of the
tution thereof to the 31st December, 1797.

The Monies advanced to the Treasurer of the Mint for the Time being, during that Period, were one Hundred and sixty-six Thousand four Hundred and forty-seven Dollars, and sixty-seven Cents, viz.

		DOLS.	CTS.	DOLS.	CTS.
In 1792,	- - - - -			7,000	
1793,	- - - - -			18,648	28
1794, for the mint establishment,	- - - - -	23,799	22		
for salaries of the officers,	- - - - -	8,947	11		
		<hr/>		32,746	33
1795, for the mint,	- - - - -	13,000			
for salaries,	- - - - -	11,267	93		
		<hr/>		24,267	93
1796, for the mint,	- - - - -	50,150	90		
for salaries,	- - - - -	9,320	10		
		<hr/>		59,471	
1797, for the mint,	- - - - -	14,000			
for salaries,	- - - - -	10,314	13		
		<hr/>		24,314	13

Carried forward, 166,447 67

	Brought forward,	DOLS. CTS.	DOLS. CTS.	DOLS. CTS.
Paid from 1st January, 1796, to 31st March following,	-	3,146 52	55,911 8	
from 1st April, — to 30th June —	-	2,695 13		
from 1st July, — to 30th Sept. —	-	2,879 69		
from 1st Oct. 1796, to 31st August, 1797, —	-	7,063 61		
from 1st Sept. 1797, to 31st Dec. following, —	-	2,077 93		
		<hr/>	17,862 88	
			<hr/>	73,773 96

COPPER PURCHASED FOR COINAGE.

Pounds.				
6,235	Purchased from 19th July, 1792, to 31st March following,			
11,745	from 1st April, 1793, to 30th June —	2,721 36	1,486 69	
2,435	from 1st July — to 30th Sept. —	608 50		
12,807	from 1st Oct. — to 31st Dec. —	2,022 13		
		<hr/>	5,351 99	
29,637	Purchased in London by Thomas Pinckney, Minister Plenipotentiary,	7,568 58		
646	Purchased for coining, and freight of thirty casks of copper, in November, 1793,	180 73		
4,264	Including freight of five casks, from London, purchased and shipped by Thomas Pinckney,	1,115 72		
	Charges at New York, for the storage of ten casks of copper nails, the property of the United States,	111 80		
		<hr/>	8,976 83	
162 $\frac{3}{4}$	Purchased from 1st July, 1794, to 30th September following,		28 93	
316	from 1st Jan. 1795, to 31st March —	79 40		
1,188	from 1st April — to 30th June —	218 32		
6,476	from 1st Oct. — to 31st Dec. —	2,020 75		
		<hr/>	2,318 47	
11,565	from 1st Jan. 1796, to 31st March following —	3,224 86		
3,794	from 1st April, — to 30th June, —	1,094 50		
623	from 1st July, — to 30th Sept. —	176 82		
24,324	from 1st Oct. — to 31st Augt. 1797, —	5,963 88		
19,281	from 1st Sept. 1797, to 31st Dec. following, —	5,804 51		
		<hr/>	16,264 57	
135,498 $\frac{1}{2}$			<hr/>	34,427 48
			<hr/>	108,201 44

Carried forward,

	DOLS.	CTS.
<i>Brought forward,</i>	166,447	67

<i>Carried forward,</i>	<u>166,447</u>	67
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Brought forward, 108,201 44

SALARIES TO THE OFFICERS OF THE MINT.

For forty-six thousand four hundred and ninety-four dollars and fifteen cents, being the amount paid to the officers of the mint and their Clerks, for their respective compensations allowed by law—

From its institution, to the 31st March, 1793,	-	-	4,094 88	
1st April, 1793 to 30th June following,	-	-	1,275	
1st July — to 30th Sept. —	-	-	1,275	
1st Oct. — to 31st Dec. —	-	-	2,744	
			<hr/>	9,388 88
1st Jan. 1794, to 31st March following,	-	-	2,067	
1st April — to 30th June, —	-	-	2,008 33	
1st July, — to 30th Sept. —	-	-	2,127 78	
1st Oct. — to 31st Dec. —	-	-	2,225	
			<hr/>	8,428 11
1st Jan. 1795, to 31st March following,	-	-	2,275	
1st April, — to 30th June —	-	-	2,275	
1st July — to 30th Sept. —	-	-	2,275	
1st Oct. — to 31st Dec. —	-	-	2,217 93	
			<hr/>	9,042 93
1st Jan. 1796, to 31st March following,	-	-	2,275	
1st April, — to 30th June, —	-	-	2,275	
1st July — to 30th Sept. —	-	-	2,275	
1st Oct. 1796, to 31st Aug. 1797,	-	-	8,978 43	
1st Sep. 1797, to 31st Dec. do.	-	-	3,830 80	
			<hr/>	19,634 23
				<hr/>
				46,494 15

Balance, eleven thousand seven hundred and fifty-two dollars and eight cents, which remained in the hands of the Treasurer of the Mint, on the 1st January, 1798, to be thereafter accounted for by him, agreeably to Treasury settlement, No. 9,543,

11,752 8

Dols. 166,447 67

(E.)

AN ABSTRACT of the Settlement of Accounts, made by the Treasurer of the Mint with the United States of Bullion deposited by individual Persons at the Mint, from 18th July, 1794, to 30th June, 1798; of the Coins made and delivered; and Balance either in Bullion or Coin, which remained to be accounted for, by the Officers of the Mint, at certain Periods.

	GOLD.			SILVER.			TOTAL	
	WEIGHT.		VALUE.	WEIGHT.		VALUE.	VALUE.	
	oz.	dwt. gr.		oz.	dwt. gr.			
Deposits in standard bullion, from 18th July, 1794, to 30th September, 1795, - -	3,223	12	57,308 41	398,596	2	459,918 52½	517,226	93½
Coins made at the mint during that period, and paid by the Treasurer to the persons who deposited the same, - - -	3,078	16 21	54,735	247,169	6 22	285,195 40	339,930	40
Balance remaining to be accounted for, on 30th September, 1795, - - -	45	3 21	803 41	69,341	7 20	80,009 25½	80,812	66½
In the hands of the Chief Coiner, - - -				78,425	19	90,491 47	90,491	47
ditto the Treasurer, - - -	99	11 6	1,770	3,659	8 6	4,222 40	5,992	40
ditto ditto, for assay pieces, - - -	3,223	12	57,308 41	398,596	2	459,918 52½	517,226	93½
Balance remaining to be accounted for, on 30th September, 1795, per statement, No. 7,468, - - -	144	15 3	2,573 41	151,426	15 2	174,723 12½	177,296	53½
Deposits from 1st October, 1795, to 31st August, 1797, - - -	12,433	12 4	221,041 91½	70,306	8 8	81,122 72½	302,164	64
	12,578	7 7	223,615 32½	221,733	3 10	255,845 85	479,461	17½
Coins made and paid during the above period, - - -	12,511	7 23	222,424 84½	155,670	8 22	179,619 74½	402,044	59
Balance remaining to be accounted for, on 31st August, 1797, per statement, No. 10,039, as follows, viz. - - -	12,511	7 23	222,424 84½	2,444	12 8	2,820 71	2,820	71
In the hands of the Chief Coiner, - - -				153,225	16 14	176,799 3½	399,223	88
ditto of Melter and Refiner, - - -	33	19 20	604 25	896	2 10	1,033 85½	1,638	10½
In Bank of United - - -	6	4 23	111 7½	47	15	55 12	166	19½
Allowance for wastage, per warrant, No. 4, - - -	26	14 13	475 15½	310	10 19	358 31½	833	47
Litharge returned (per receipt) to John Vaughan, - - -				1,599	16 15	1,845 95½	1,845	95½
Four deposits made by James Swan, and assigned to the Bank of the United States, withdrawn, - - -				11,637	13	13,428 6	13,428	6
	12,578	7 7	223,615 32½	54,015	9	62,325 51	62,325	51
Balance remaining to be accounted for, on 1st September, 1797, per statement, No. 10,039, - - -	66	19 8	1,190 48	221,733	3 10	255,845 85	479,461	17½
Deposits, &c. from 1st September, 1797, to 30th June, 1798, - - -	10,649	18 10	189,331 87½	1,254	8 5	1,447 29	2,637	77
	10,716	17 18	190,522 35½	221,376	2 8	255,433 94	444,765	81½
Coins made at the mint, and paid during that period, - - -	9,035	18 3	160,638 33½	222,630	10 13	256,881 23	444,403	58½
Balance remaining to be accounted for, on 1st July, 1798, viz. - - -				212,224	15 10	244,874 73½	405,513	7
In hands of the Chief Coiner, - - -	107	9 23	1,911 4½	5,573	12 23	6,431 9	8,342	13½
ditto of the Treasurer, - - -	93	3 6	1,656 20				1,656	20
ditto ditto, assay pieces reserved for inspection, - - -	25	9 2	452 50	38	11 8	44 50	497	
In the Bank of United States, - - -	1,391	8 22	24,736 82	2,330	19 9	2,689 58	27,426	40
In the hands of the Melter and Refiner, - - -				640	10 14	739 6	739	6
ditto Commissioners of Inspection, for assay pieces, - - -				1	18 19	2 23	2	23
Allowance for wastage, per warrants, No. 1, 2, 6, and 7, and Treasury warrant No. 6,730, - - -	63	8 10	1,127 45½	1,820	2 2	2,100 3½	3,227	49
	10,716	17 18	190,522 35½	222,630	10 13	256,881 23	447,403	58½
Balance remaining to be accounted for, on the 1st July, 1798, - - -	1,617	11 3	28,756 56½	8,585	12 1	9,906 46	38,663	2½

Note. In this amount of Gold deposited, is included the amount gained by retaining fractions together with an overplus, which arose in the Chief Coiner's Department.

This sum is deducted, being charged in his account of receipts and expenditures. Coins made, &c.

In this amount of Deposits is included 1 dollar and 50 cents in silver, and 330 dollars in gold coins, which were under the Inspection of the Commissioners, and delivered to the Melter and Refiner.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT,
Register's Office, December 24th, 1798.

JOSEPH NOURSE, Register.

ABSTRACT of SETTLEMENTS made by the Treasurer of the Mint

PERIODS of SETTLEMENT.		DEPOSITS in STANDARD.							COINS of GOLD and SILVER MADE at the MINT.							
FROM	TO	GOLD.		SILVER.		Total Value of Deposits.	GOLD.			SILVER.					WEI	
		WEIGH'.	VALUE.	WEIGHT.	VALUE.		EAGLES.	HALF EAGLES.	QUARTER EAGLES.	DOLLARS.	HALF DOLLARS.	QUARTER DOLLARS.	DISMES.	HALF DISMES.		
		oz. dw. gr.	dols. cts.	oz. dw. gr.	dols. cts.			dols. cts.								
July 18, 1794,	Sept. 30, 1795,	3,223 I	57,308 4I	398,596 2	459,918 52½	517,226 93½	1,297	8,707		126,553	323,144			25,856	3,078	
Octr. 1, 1795,	Aug. 31, 1797,	12,433 I 4	221,041 91½	4,653 6 8	5,369 15½	226,411 7	16,755	9,805	1,822	158,934	3,918	6,146	47,396	115,317	12,511	
Sept. 1, 1797,	June 30, 1798,	10,649 I 10	189,331 87½	221,376 2 8	255,433 94	444,765 81½	7,974	20,755	554	247,206					9,035	

(D.)

the Mint with the United States, from 18th July, 1794, to 30th June, 1798, exhibiting the Deposits of Bullion, the Value of Coins paid, A

VALUE of COINS PAID at the MINT.						ALLOWANCE for WASTAGE.					BALANCE - - -												
LF MES.	GOLD.		SILVER.		Total Value of Coins paid.	GOLD.		SILVER.		Total Value of Allowancc.	In the Hands of the Chief Coiner.					In the Hands of t							
	WEIGHT.	VALUE.	WEIGHT.	VALUE.		WEIGHT.	VALUE.	WEIGHT.	VALUE.		Total Value.	GOLD.		WEIGHT.	VALUE.	WE							
												oz. dwt. gr.	dols. cts.				oz. dwt. gr.	dols. cts.	oz. dwt. gr.	dols. cts.	oz. dwt. gr.	dols. cts.	oz.
856	3,078 16 21	54,735	247,169 6 22	285,195 40	339,930 40						45 3 21	803 41	69,341 7 20	80,009 25½	80,812 66½								
317	12,511 7 23	222,424 8½	153,225 16 14	176,799 3½	399,223 88			1,599 16 15	1,845 95½	1,845 95½	33 19 20	604 25	896 2 10	1,033 85½	1,638 10½	6 4 23	111 7½	47					
	9,035 18 3	160,638 33½	212,224 15 10	244,874 73½	405,513 7	63 8 10	1127 45½	1,820 2 2	2,100 3½	3,227 49	107 9 23	1,911 4½	5,573 12 23	6,431 9	8,342 13½			640					

EXPLANATION of the BALANCE of GOLD and SILVER remaining to be

Total Amount of Deposits from 18th July, 1794, to 30th June, 1798, per Abstract,	26,
Total Amount of Coins made and paid during said period, per Abstract,	24,
Allowance for Wastage, - do. do. - - -	1,
Balance remaining to be accounted for, on 1st July, 1798. - - -	26,

1, Allowances for Wastage, and the Balances at the different Periods of Settlement remaining in the Hands of the Officers of the Mint,

TO										BE									
Hands of the Melter and Refiner.				Commissioners of Inspection for Assay Pieces.					Deposited in the Hands of the Treasurer.					In the Hands of the Treasurer for Assay Pieces.					
SILVER.			Total Value.	GOLD.		SILVER.		Total Value.	GOLD.		SILVER.		Total Value.	GOLD.		SILVER.		Total Value.	
WEIGHT.	VALUE.	WEIGHT.		VALUE.	WEIGHT.	VALUE.	WEIGHT.		VALUE.	WEIGHT.	VALUE.	WEIGHT.		VALUE.	WEIGHT.	VALUE.	WEIGHT.		VALUE.
ts.	oz. dwt. gr.	dols. cts.	dols. cts.	oz. dwt. gr.	dols. cts.	oz. dwt. gr.	dols. cts.	dols. cts.	oz. dwt. gr.	dols. cts.	oz. dwt. gr.	dols. cts.	dols. cts.	oz. dwt. gr.	dols. cts.	oz. dwt. gr.	dols. cts.	dols. ts.	
7½	47 15	55 12	166 19½								78,425 19	90,491 47	90,491 47	99 11 6	1,770	3,659 8 6	4,222 40	5,992 40	
	640 10 14	739 6	739 6			1 18 19	2 23	2 23	93 3 6	1,656 20			1,656 20	25 9 2	452 50	38 11 8	44 50	497	

to be accounted for by the Treasurer of the Mint on 1st July, 1798.

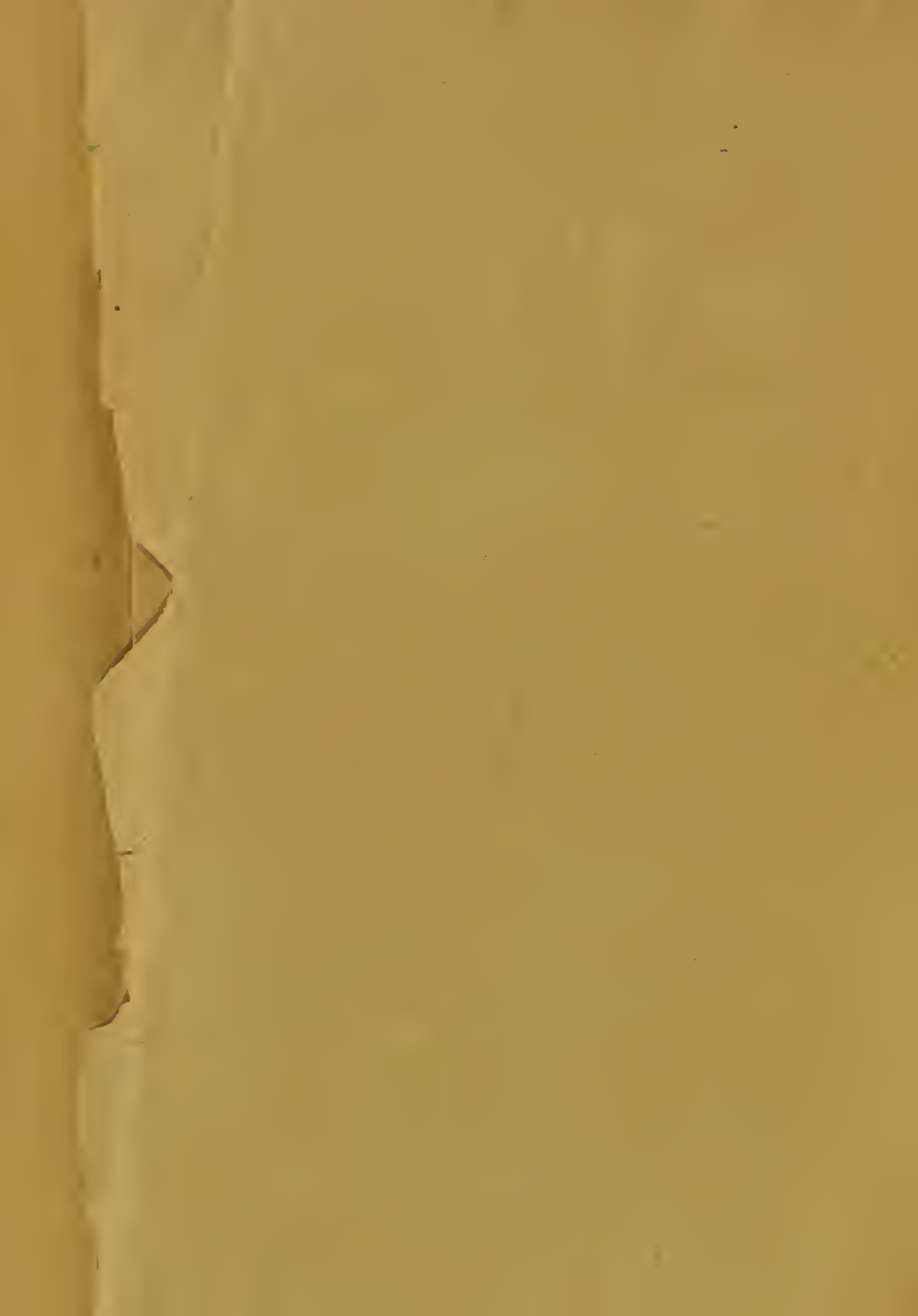
GOLD.		SILVER.		Total Value.
WEIGHT.	VALUE.	WEIGHT.	VALUE.	
oz. dwt. gr.	dols. cts.	oz. dwt. gr.	dols. cts.	dols. cts.
26,307 2 14	467,682 20	624,625 10 16	720,721 62	1,188,403 82
24,626 2 23	437,798 18	612,619 18 22	706,869 17	1,144,667 35
63 8 10	1,127 45½	3,419 18 17	3,945 99	5,073 44½
1,617 11 5	28,756 56½	8,585 13 1	9,906 46	38,663 2½
26,307 2 14	467,682 20	624,625 10 16	720,721 62	1,188,403 82

e Mint, and in the Bank of the United States.

ACCOUNTED FOR.										
Pieces.	In the Bank of the United States.					Total Amount of Balance to be accounted for.				
Total Value.	GOLD.		SILVER.		Total Value.	GOLD.		SILVER.		Total Value.
	WEIGHT.	VALUE.	WEIGHT.	VALUE.		WEIGHT.	VALUE.	WEIGHT.	VALUE.	
	oz. dwt. gr.	dols. cts.	oz. dwt. gr.	dols. cts.		oz. dwt. gr.	dols. cts.	oz. dwt. gr.	dols. cts.	
dols. ts.					dols. cts.					dols. cts.
5,992 40	26 14 13	4 15 15½	3 10 10 19	358 31½	833 47	144 15 3	2,573 41	15 1,426 15 2	174,723 12½	177,296 53½
497	1,391 8 22	24,736 82	2,330 19 9	2,689 58	27,426 40	66 19 8	1,190 48	1,254 8 5	1,447 29	2,637 77
						1,617 11 5	28,756 56½	8,585 13 1	9,906 46	38,663 2½

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AN ACCOUNT of Payments, in Cents and Half-Cents, into the Treasury of the United States, from the Institution of the Mint, to the 31st December, 1797.

	DOLS.	CTS.	DOLS.	CTS.
In the year 1793, as per printed public accounts,	1,281	79		
In the year 1794, ditto,	9,593	21		
1796, ditto,	10,072	40		
1797, ditto,	10,110	34		
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TREASURY DEPARTMENT,

Register's Office, December 24th, 1798.

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